

Evansville Youth Center

Regular Meeting

Youth Center, 209 S First St., Evansville, WI 53536

Monday, August 22nd, 2022 5:30 pm

Minutes

1. Call to Order: 5:30pm

2. Roll Call

Members		Others Present
Butch Beedle	Present	Interim Director Angie Olsen
Alderson Ben Corridon	Present	
Andy Dewar	Present	
Bill Lathrop	Present	
Ben Myers	Absent	
Kenneth Updike	Absent	
Greg Vossekuil	Absent	

3. **Motion to Approve the Agenda**, by Beedle, seconded by Dewar, approved unanimously.

4. **Motion to waive the reading of the minutes** of the July 25th, 2022 meeting and approve as printed, by Dewar, seconded by Beedle, approved unanimously

Approved unanimously with an understanding the next meeting date recorded in the minutes will be corrected to July 25th from the 21st.

5. **Civility reminder** - Corridon reminded the group to conduct civil discussion

6. **Citizen Appearances** - none.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Inventory Update

Angie reported she is done going through everything in the facility and will begin asking for donations. She was able to secure some furniture.

Lathrop: Should we have any concerns about donated food items being tampered with?

Dewar: Same risk with items purchased in the store.

Beedle: We get food from the same groups of people and churches – though maybe doesn't hurt to have a guideline.

No homemade items, Angie is not worried about pre-packaged items as long as they are sealed. Will not ask for homemade. If homemade goods come in, they could be distributed.

Beedle: There is an informal network of Youth Centers – call Oregon or McFarland.

Angie reported we obtained a whole bunch of batteries and we now have internet.

b. Inspection findings update.

Dale Roberts from public works visited. He emailed Jason, Angie, Larry and Chad to see if some detectors could not be battery powered.

Can't get the front door to work. There are other exit doors at the facility, and all open outward.

Dale saw no issues with the beams in the basement. – Larry has not responded.

Dewar: Has there ever been a fire drill?

Angie: Something needs to be posted and kids need to know where other doors are. Angie will reach out to Dale about the issue.

c. Golf Outing update.

This was a fund-raising idea that hasn't had any action.

Angie: I have spoken to golf outing folks and they say it's a nightmare to run. They report having a hard time getting community donations and having enough people to station at holes.

Angie: Kickball tournament? Something more geared to kids. Particularly, when she thinks of alumni, she thinks of EYC alumni.

Also mentioned the idea of a Youth Center Night at Twisted Cone.

Beedle: Also a good time to have sign-up for EYC

8. New Business

a. Meeting with Joanie Dobbs

Angie reported she met with Ms. Dobbs

6th Grade Orientation is Friday the 26th. Introduce myself and be available at the event.

Open house is next week. Deb may do it – just have a table at the event.

Talked with Barb Dorn – open house was the same night. Not going to bother going – will give them things to send home.

Joanie shared that Middle School field use must be supervised by an adult. Otherwise she is very interested in working together – we had a very good conversation. They have fancy TVs where they share their announcements.

Corridon: Re registration: Should we use Google Forms or just paper?

Lathrop: Recommend whatever is easier for Angie – though ultimately the data will need to get keyed somewhere.

The City was able to hire Deb Arnold for the Coordinator role. She has very strong experience as a prior teacher and guidance counselor and also works with AWARE. She should be a great fit.

b. Backyard green space use

Corridon: With good weather, kids will want to be outside.

Dewar: A camera is cheap to monitor kids outside.

Angie – less worried about the back of EYC than the school Angie will start with Dale Roberts of Public Works to see what repairs the City can perform.

Meeting participants wandered outside to the back yard, taking note of the large Gaga ball area – which may take up more space than is practical. Discussed a variety of ideas to use the back yard.

First Day – Thursday the First

9. Next Meeting Date – Monday, September 26th, 5:30 pm At the Youth Center.
10. Mr. Dewar made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Beedle, approved unanimously - meeting adjourned.

Future Meeting Dates

- Monday, October 24, 2022
- Monday, November 21, 2022